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Sunday, May 2, 2021

Paschal Vigil and Divine Liturgy, Saturday at 10:30 pm

Great and Holy Pascha: The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ



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Troparion for Pascha:

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Hymns of the Day, immediately after the Small Entrance:

Troparion for Pascha (Tone 5): Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death; and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

Hypakoe for Pascha (Tone 4): They who were with Mary came before the dawn, found the stone rolled away from the sepulcher, and heard the angels say unto them: 'Why seek ye Him as man with the dead, who dwells in light eternal? Behold the grave wrappings; make haste and declare to the world that the Lord is risen, and hath caused death to die; for He is the Son of God, the Savior of mankind!'

Kontakion for Pascha (Tone 8): O Immortal One, when Thou didst descend into the tomb, Thou didst destroy the power of Hades; and Thou didst rise victorious, O Christ God. Thou hast said to the ointment-bearing women: 'Rejoice!' And Thou gavest peace to Thy Disciples, O Bestower of Resurrection to those who had fallen.

In place of the Trisagion Hymn:

As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Alleluia. (*Three times*)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. Have put on Christ. Alleluia.

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THE EPISTLE

This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein! O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; His mercy endureth forever.

The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (1:1-8)

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when He was taken up, after He had given commandment through the Holy Spirit to the Apostles whom He had chosen. To them He presented Himself alive after His passion by many

proofs, appearing to them during forty days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. And while staying with them He charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, He said, “You heard from Me; for John baptized with water, but before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” So when they had come together, they asked Him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth.”

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (1:1-17)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light. The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world knew Him not. He came to His own home, and His own people received Him not. But to all who received Him, who believed in His Name, He gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. (John bore witness to Him, and cried, “This was He of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me ranks before me, for He was before me.’”) And from His fullness have we all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

Hymn to the Theotokos for Pascha: The angel cried to the lady full of grace: Rejoice, rejoice O pure Virgin! Again, I say rejoice! For thy Son is risen from His three days in the tomb. With Himself, He has raised all the dead. Rejoice, rejoice O ye people! Shine, shine, shine O New Jerusalem: The glory of the Lord has shone on thee. Exult now, exult, and be glad, O Zion. Be radiant, O pure Theotokos in the resurrection, the resurrection of thy Son!

Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services at All Saints, see our website www.allsaintsorthodox.org

This week at All Saints:

- **Agape Vespers**, Sunday at 1pm (note new time!). It is customary at this service for people to read the Gospel (John 20:19-25) in as many different languages as possible. If you can read this in another language, feel free to come and participate!
- No inquirer's class, church school, or Zoom Bible class this week.
- **Daily Morning Prayers** will continue this week, Tuesday through Friday morning at 9am.
- **Bright Wednesday Divine Liturgy for the feast of St. George**, May 5 at 7pm.

LENTEN COIN BOXES

Once again please remember to fill the **coin boxes** that are on the greeters' table that are supplied by the Fellowship of St. John the Divine, in accordance with our archdiocese, to feed the hungry around the world. **Please use these boxes all during Lent and turn them in at Pascha to be blessed.** Please replace the coins with a check marked "For the Poor" in the memo line, or submit paper money. If you have any questions, contact Pat K.

"He has distributed freely; he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever; his horn is exalted in honor." (Psalm 112:9)

MEMORIAL DAY RETREAT

Join us for a Memorial Day weekend church retreat at Covenant Harbor in Lake Geneva, WI, May 29-31 (Saturday-Monday). We are still working out the final cost per family/individual, but please see Khouria Patty, Octavian, or Sarah S. if you have any questions. Regular weekend services will still be held at All Saints that weekend, for those not attending.

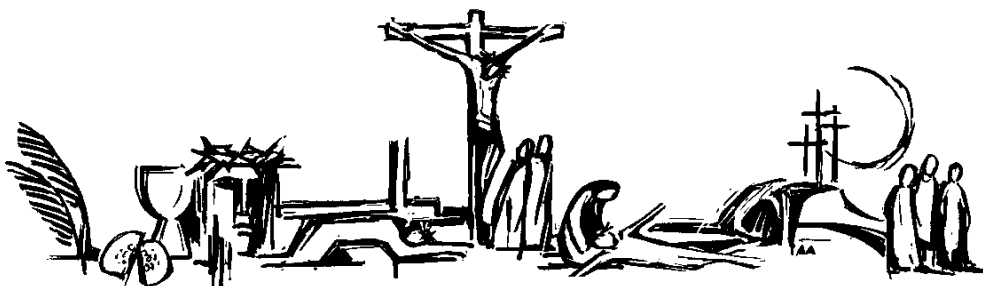
BISHOP ANTHONY'S VISIT

Bishop Anthony plans to visit us Pentecost weekend, June 19-20. His Grace will be serving Saturday morning Divine Liturgy on the 19th, Saturday Vespers, and Sunday Divine Liturgy on the 20th. More information will be forthcoming.

Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee
Sunday May 2 <i>Holy Pascha</i>	Joseph L	Debbie K	Nancy L	
Wed May 5 <i>St George</i>	Doug J	Dn Walid	Domitille N	
Sunday May 9 <i>St. Thomas Sunday</i>	Polycarp	Pat K.	Sandy A.	Lydia A.
Sunday, May 16 <i>Holy Myrrhbearers</i>	Paul K	Domitille N	Azizeh C	Zach C
Sunday May 23 <i>Paralytic</i>	Jim K	Cristina P	Nancy L	Domitille N
Sunday May 30 <i>Samaritan Woman</i>	Joseph L	Dn Walid	Domitille N	Alina S

Until further notice, we will not be holding potluck meals after evening services. However, if individuals and families would like to bring their own meals and eat together in the church hall, you are welcome to do so. We will continue to have coffee and pre-packaged snacks available after morning liturgies.



:: BISHOP ANTHONY'S PASCHAL LETTER 2021 ::

Beloved Clergy and Faithful of the Midwest Diocese,

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

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For my reflection on the Resurrection this year, I want to contrast time and eternity. What Jesus planned on earth, He completed in heaven. We must not confuse our beginning with our end. Preparation begins here; fulfillment occurs there in eternity.

People always say, "There isn't enough time in the day." And that's true. There isn't enough time to do everything we have to do. There isn't enough time to spend with the kids. There isn't enough time to appreciate our wife or our husband. Even more so, we want the time to do those things.

There isn't enough time in this life. There isn't enough time to be with our loved ones. There isn't enough time to erase all the regrets we have with the unfinished relationships we formed. There isn't enough time to do everything we thought we were capable of doing with our talents. We wish we would have thought more about our lives. We hope to buy more time by watching our health, exercising regularly, having good habits. God knows we mean to do good things with our time. Because God is good, He made us good.

We need eternity in order to finish our work; in order to appreciate our purpose in life, we need life everlasting. Made in God's image, we need the eternity He has. I believe almost all of our depression and our forgetfulness and our procrastination in this life is because we are haunted by eternity. We are trying to fit in too much in the small space of our own personal life on earth.

Christ gives us His immortality and eternity in the Resurrection. This Resurrection is the down payment on our possibilities to become everything we were meant to be, and to have eternity stretching out before us, and giving us all the time we need.

May the Light of the Empty Tomb shine in our hearts forever!

Yours in Christ,

+Bishop ANTHONY

Bishop of Toledo and the Midwest

:: METROPOLITAN JOSEPH'S PASCHAL LETTER 2021 ::

“O Thy divine and beloved and most sweet voice! Thou hast promised that Thou wouldst be with us unto the end of the world, O Christ; and we faithful rejoice, having this as an anchor of hope.”

(Ninth Ode of the Paschal Canon)

Reverend Clergy, Esteemed Parish Council Members, and beloved faithful:

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED, HE IS RISEN!

Pascha is the joyful revelation that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Although the world and the devil, sin and death, threw everything they had against Christ, God is still with us. His resurrection gives us boldness to face every difficulty with unflinching trust in God.

During this past year, we have needed this “anchor of hope,” as the winds and waves of crisis have beat against the ship of the Church. We still do. Let us rejoice that, in a world of uncertainty, Pascha’s promise is sure and true!

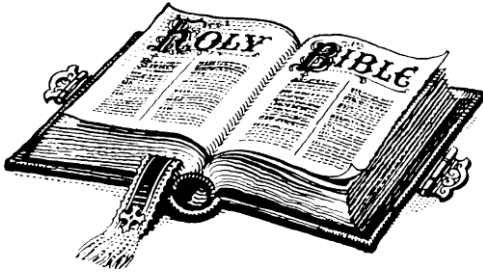
Praying that Paschal joy will blaze forth in your hearts, I remain,

Yours in the Risen Lord,

+JOSEPH

Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America





DAILY BIBLE READINGS

MAY 2-8, 2021

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Pascha Sunday, May 2:

Mark 16:1-8 / Acts 1:1-8 / John 1:1-17 / John 20:19-25

Bright Monday, May 3: St. Ahmet the Calligrapher

Genesis 1:1-2:3 / Acts 1:12-17, 21-26 / John 1:18-28

Bright Tuesday, May 4: Holy Apostle and Evangelist Mark

Isaiah 60:1-16 / Acts 2:14-21 / Luke 24:12-35

Bright Wednesday, May 5: Great-Martyr Irene

Exodus 12:1-11 / Acts 2:22-36 / John 1:35-51

Bright Thursday, May 6: Righteous Job the Long-suffering

Jonah 1 / Acts 2:38-43 / John 3:1-15

Bright Friday, May 7: Theotokos of the Life-Giving Spring

Jonah 2 / Acts 3:1-8 / John 2:12-22

Bright Saturday, May 8: Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian

Acts 3:11-16 / John 3:22-33

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